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• ITS OWN OBLIGATIONS AS GUARANTOR. LIKEWISE EFFECTIVELY
TO PROVIDE SUCH ASSISTANCE.

(3) BY ACTING AS A GUARANTOR OF THE SETTLEMENT, THE UNITED STATES DOES NOT INTEND TO IMPLY IN ANY RESPECT RECOGNITION OF THE PRESENT REGIME IN KABUL AS THE LAWFUL GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN.

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SUBJECT: USG STATEMENT

1. SECRET - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. THE FOLLOWING USG SIGNING STATEMENT HAS BEEN APPROVED WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT AND AT THE NSC.

BEGIN TEXT.

U.S. STATEMENT

-- THE UNITED STATES HAS AGREED TO ACT AS A GUARANTOR OF THE POLITICAL SETTLEMENT OF THE SITUATION RELATING TO AFGHANISTAN. WE BELIEVE THIS SETTLEMENT IS A MAJOR STEP FORWARD IN RESTORING PEACE TO AFGHANISTAN, IN ENDING THE BLOODSHED IN THAT UNFORTUNATE COUNTRY, AND IN ENABLING MILLIONS OF AFGHAN REFUGEES TO RETURN TO THEIR HOMES.

-- IN AGREEING TO ACT AS GUARANTOR, THE UNITED STATES STATES THE FOLLOWING:

151: THE TROOP WITHDRAWAL OBLIGATIONS SET OUT IN
PARAGRAPHS 5 AND 6 OF THE INSTRUMENT ON
INTERRELATIONSHIPS ARE CENTRAL TO THE ENTIRE
SETTLEMENT. COMPLIANCE WITH THOSE OBLIGATIONS IS
ESSENTIAL TO ACHIEVEMENT OF THE SETTLEMENT'S PURPOSES,
NAMESLY, THE ENDING OF FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN
AFGHANISTAN AND THE RESTORATION OF THE RIGHTS OF THE
AFGHAN PEOPLE THROUGH THE EXERCISE OF
SELF-DETERMINATION AS CALLED FOR BY THE UNITED NATIONS
CHARTER AND THE UNITED NATIONS GENERAL ASSEMBLY
RESOLUTIONS ON AFGHANISTAN.

(2) THE OBLIGATIONS UNDERTAKEN BY THE GUARANTORS ARE SYMMETRICAL. IN THIS REGARD, THE UNITED STATES HAS ADVISED THE SOVIET UNION THAT, IF THE USSR UNDERTAKES, AS CONSISTENT WITH ITS OBLIGATIONS AS GUARANTOR, TO PROVIDE MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO PARTIES IN AFGHANISTAN, THE UNITED STATES RETAINS THE RIGHT, AS CONSISTENT WITH

(3) BY NOTING THE GUARANTEE OF THE SETTLEMENT, THE UNITED STATES DOS NOT INTEND TO IMPLY IN ANY RESPECT RECOGNITION OF THE PRESENT REGIME IN KABUL AS THE LAWFUL GOVERNMENT OF AFGHANISTAN.

END TEXT

3. WE HAVE ADOED THE FIRST POINT TO BE SURE THAT THE
FOCUS REMAINS ON SOVIET WITHDRAWAL OBLIGATIONS AND
THEIR INTEGRAL RELATIONSHIP TO THE ENTIRE SETTLEMENT.
ONLY AFTER WE HAVE MADE THIS POINT DO WE ADDRESS
SYMMETRY. THE SYMMETRY LANGUAGE HAS BEEN CAREFULLY
CHOSEN TO REFLECT OUR UNDERSTANDINGS WITH THE SOVIETS

4. WE HAVE DELETED PARAGRAPH 3 OF THE STATEMENT PROPOSED IN REFTEL AS UNNECESSARY. WE WILL BE SIGNING NO DOCUMENT THAT REFERENCES THE UN RESOLUTIONS IN QUESTION, AND OUR SIGNING CANNOT, THEREFORE, REASONABLY BE CONSTRUED TO ENORSE THOSE RESOLUTIONS. THE OMISSION OF THE RELATIVELY TECHNICAL LANGUAGE IN PROPOSED PARAGRAPH 3 ALSO MAKES THE STATEMENT A MORE GENERALLY USEFUL DOCUMENT.

5. FOR GENEVA: WE UNDERSTAND FROM REPELS THAT WE INTEND TO PROVIDE THE USG STATEMENT TO CORDOVEZ BEFORE SIGNATURE FOR DISTRIBUTION BY HIM TO THE OTHER PARTIES IMMEDIATELY AFTER SIGNATURE. WE DO NOT ENVISION ACTUALLY READING THE STATEMENT. YOU MAY SHARE THE STATEMENT IMMEDIATELY WITH THE PAKISTANI AND CORDOVEZ AND COORDINATE USE OF THE USG AND PAKISTANI STATEMENTS IN THE SIGNING CEREMONY. WHETHER TO SHARE TEXT WITH SOVIETS IN ADVANCE WILL BE ADDRESSED SEPT.

6. FOR ISLAMABAD: YOU MAY ALSO SHARE THE USG STATEMENT WITH THE MFA. WE UNDERSTAND THE STATEMENT IN REF A IS A DRAFT AND WOULD APPRECIATE THE FINAL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SHULTZ

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